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SUBJECT: ITU'S 30TH ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL OPENS

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1. ITU' 30TH ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL OPENED JUNE 7 AND HEARD SYG MILI STRESS THAT IT HAD THREE MAIN ISSUES TO RESOLVE: 1) ADJUSTMENT OF 1973 TORREMOLINOS CONFERENCE BUDGET CEILINGS TO MEET PRESSURES OF INFLATION; 2) ANALYSIS AND IMPLEMENTATION OF REPORT OF EXPERTS FROM THE FRG,CANADA AND SWEDEN ON ORGANIZATION, METHODS AND GRADING OF ITU PERSONNEL; AND 3) REVISION OF TERMS OF REFERENCE OF REGIONAL PLAN COMMITTEES.

2. IN ADOPTING ITS AGENDA, COUNCIL ALSO AGREED TO CONSIDER THREE POLITICAL QUESTIONS: 1) COMPLAINT OF CYPRUS CITING ALLEGED VIOLATIONS OF THE ITU CONVENTION AND RADIO REGULATIONS BY TURKEY; 2) UNPAID CONTRIBUTIONS TO ITU OF REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA; AND 3) RESTORATION OF PORTUGAL'S RIGHT TO ATTEND ITU MEETINGS AND CONFERENCES.

3. COUNCIL ELECTED M. GHAZAL (LEBANON) CHAIRMAN AND DR. L. KATON-KIS (HUNGARY) VICE CHAIRMAN FOR ITS 30TH

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SESSION; NAMED THREE PERMANENT COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

AND VICE CHAIRMEN AS PER REFTEL, PARA 1, AND NAMED FOLLOWING WORKING GROUP CHAIRMEN: 1) WORLD ADMINISTRATIVE RADIO CONFERENCE PLANNING, M. IRWIN (CANADA); 2) PLANNING OF OTHER ITU CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS FOR NEXT 5-6 YEARS, M.K. BASU (INDIA); AND 3) ADMIN COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS AND DECISIONS. L. BURTZ (FRANCE).

4. AFTER UNEXPECTEDLY LONG DEBATE, COUNCIL DECIDED TO ASSIGN AGENDA ITEM, REPORT ON ORGANIZATION, METHODS AND GRADING OF PERSONNEL TO COMMITTEE 2 (PERSONNEL) FOR CONSIDERATION OF PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS AND THEN TO PLENARY FOR CONSIDERATION OF ORGANIZATIONAL AND GENERAL ASPECTS OF REPORT. IT WAS CLEAR FROM SYG'S STRONG ATTACK ON PERSONNEL EXPERTS' REPORT IN HIS OPENING ADDRESS AND BY NUMBER OF INTERVENTIONS DURING AFTERNOON DEBATE, THAT THIS ITEM WOULD BE PRINCIPAL TOPIC OF 30TH SESSIONAL OF COUNCIL. A THIRD DOCUMENT, PREPARED BY ADMINISTRATIONS OF FRG, CANADA AND SWEDEN AT A SPECIAL MEETINGS IN STOCKHOLM LAST WEEK WILL BE SUBMITTED TO THE COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION DURING DEBATE ON THIS CONTROVERSIAL ITEM. THE TRI-ADMINISTRATION DOCUMENT PROVIDES COMMENTS ON THE 92 RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PERSONNEL EXPERTS. ENGLISH LANGUAGE COPIES OF THE DOCUMENT WERE DISTRIBUTED INFORMALLY JUNE 7, BUT THE FORMAL FOUR LANGUAGE DISTRIBUTION WILL NOT TAKE PLACE UNTIL JUNE 12.

5. T. MEYER (UK), CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE 2 (PERSONNEL), TOLD THE COUNCIL HE INTENDED TO NAME WORKING PARTY TO STUDY THE PERSONNEL EXPERTS' REPORT AND SUBMIT RECOMMENDATIONS TO HIS COMMITTEE. CHAIRMANSHIP OF THIS WORKING PARTY WILL GO TO EITHER V. HAFFNER (NIGERIA) OR A. ZAIDAN (SAUDI ARABIA).

6. COUNCIL WILL CONSIDER REPORTS ON ACTIVITIES OF UNION IN 1974 AT ITS PLENARY SESSION JUNE 9. DALE

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